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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Waste Management Permit Application Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation

**ACTION:** Notice of a Waste Management Permit Application Received Under the

Antarctic Conservation Act

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the National Science Foundation (NSF) has received a waste management permit application for Mike Libecki and his team to conduct a skiing and mountaineering expedition to Queen Maud Land from November 6 to December 31, 2012. The application by Mike Libecki of Salt Lake City, Utah is submitted to NSF pursuant to regulations issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application within [INSERT 30 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION]. Permit applications may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESS: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Office of

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Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington,

Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Polly A. Penhale at the above

address or (703) 292-8030.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** NSF's Antarctic Waste Regulation, 45 CFR Part

671, requires all U.S. citizens and entities to obtain a permit for the use or release of a

designated pollutant in Antarctica, and for the release of waste in Antarctica. NSF has

received a permit application under this Regulation for skiing and mountaineering

expedition in Queen Maud Land. The expedition will depart Cape Town, South Africa

and fly to Novolazerevskaya Station, then onto to Wolthat Mountains in Queen Maud

Land to set up base camp.

Designated pollutants that would be associated with the expedition are white gas for

cooking, kitchen waste, solid waste, trash, batteries, and human waste (urine and

human solid waste). All waste will be stored in plastic barrels and returned to Cape

Town for disposal. If camping fuel is spilled, the contaminated snow and ice will be

contained in waste barrels and brought to Cape Town for disposal.

The permit applicant: Mike Libecki, Salt Lake City, Utah,

Permit application No. 2013 WM-004

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